

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Michael Helmus

Art Unit: 3773

Serial No.: 10/075,970

Examiner: Tyson, Melanie Ruano

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Docket No.: 01-202

Title: BIODEGRADABLE IMPLANTABLE OR INSERTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES  
WITH CONTROLLED CHANGE OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES LEADING TO  
BIOMECHANICAL COMPATIBILITY

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**AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to grant a three (3) month extension of time, up to and including August 16, 2010, in which to respond to the final Office Action dated February 16, 2010 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$1110.00 may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

Kindly consider the following Amendments and Remarks.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6.